

PLEMENT.

TING FACTS ABOUT THE
QUAKERS.

PHILADELPHIA, March 31.—Thinking
aps a few items in reference
quakers of this city might be
ing to some of our readers,
as they have passed almost
from the present history of the
and yet are still such an in-
element in this city's growth
velopment, I have gathered up
facts in their history which may
te to some extent their present
position in society, which is
st a unique one, and give you
idea as to how zealously they
to guard the more salient features
their religion, such as dress, manner
peech, and so on.

is quite an interesting fact to note
they have preserved almost intact
distinctive features of their man-
of life for so long a time and with-
ch close and intimate contact with
the progressive tendencies of our civi-
zation. Instead of being assimila-
ted with the masses of the people
pecially and losing much of that which
so quaint and suggestive of the seven-
teenth century life and customs, they
not only do not allow themselves to be
absorbed, but exact this tribute of
their converts—that they conform to
their manners as well as their creed,
thus furthering that which has not
only given them prominence as a reli-
gious sect, but which has peculiarly
distinguished them as members of
society. It might possibly be inter-
esting to know that they number about
140,000 adherents.

There are now two sects or divisions
of Friends—one the orthodox who are
all the world implies, and the other the
"liberals," who, while still retaining
much that is considered orthodox,
especially in dress and other minor
matters, yet tend to a more liberal
system of theology, holding a creed
somewhat analogous to the Unitarian
Church.

Their "meeting houses," never called
churches, are marvels of architectural
simplicity—there being an utter lack
of anything like an attempt at adorn-
ment—plain, rectangular, brick struc-
tures reminding one of the old time
meeting houses of the country gener-
ally.

Marriage outside of "meeting" is
one of the things that is not orthodox,
but it is said that a Friend sometimes
oversteps the conventionalities of
pudor in his matrimonial ventures.

One of the most striking virtues of
the Quaker is, I suppose, his honesty,
which is proverbial, though he is none
the less proverbially shrewd, and it is
said that he generally gets things for
what they are worth—never over it.
And to those two traits must be ac-
counted his splendid business capaci-
ties, for whatever he may lack in ad-
vanced social ideas the Quaker lacks
nothing in a progressive financial
spirit. It was somewhat of a surprise
to me to find that some of the most
reliable and largest business houses in
this city were owned and controlled
by Quaker, and in almost every re-
putable phase of business life they have
their representatives.

There are also a number of charitable
and educational institutions here which
have been endorsed and supported by
them, and an immense amount of good
work thus done for the city at large.

They intermeddle but little in poli-
tics, but there is no question as to the
fact that they have been a strong con-
servative element in shaping the social
and political life of the city, and have
had a great influence in making Phila-
delphia of a Northern cities the most
distinctly American in its life.

The Russian exile system with its
attendant horrors has stirred up in
many of these cities considerable feel-
ing, due principally to the letters and
lectures of Geo. Kennan, who has de-
voted so much time and study to the
workings and effects of the system,
and it has resulted in the forma-
tion of anti-Siberian Exile Associa-
tions, whose object is to endeavor to
get the Czar to lend his authority and
influence towards a correction of its
evils. They write out a memorial
signed by the citizens generally and
send it to the Czar setting forth the
evils of the system and its antagonism
to the drift of our present civilization
and petition him in the interest of
humanity to abolish it or correct some
of its many evils. With what success
they may attain remains to be seen.

Appropos of Russian affairs, there is
an interesting bit of political history
going the rounds of the press relative
to the purchase of Alaska by the Gov-
ernment. It seems that during the
war an apprehension was felt of a
possible attack on the North from
England, and the Government hired
secretly a Russian squadron to cruise
in their waters to be called upon if
necessary. When the time came to
settle the bills the Government dis-
liked to give publicity to its fear neces-
sitated by having the bill presented to
Congress, and so Secretary Seward
and a Russian nobleman had a secret
meeting and the purchase of Alaska
was the result, the price paid being
the exact amount named as the ex-
penses of the squadron, thus paying
for the squadron and purchasing
Alaska in one, and not one among the
people generally being the wiser. This
isn't reported as a fact but as a very
possible theory.

THE IDOL SHATTERED.

A Farmers Movement, for Farmers, of
Farmers, and by Farmers Twisted into a
Tillman Movement, for Tillman, of Till-
man and by Tillman.

(From the Greenville News)

Confession and penitence promote
tranquility of mind, and therefore we
desire to own up frankly and freely on
the Tillman question.

We hoped against hope until the last
minute that our first opinion of Captain
Tillman was right. We thought him a
somewhat extreme and violent man,
but believed that he was entirely con-
scientious and was induced to make
rash statements and take positions he
could not hold by honest zeal for the
good of his State and the righting of
wrongs. When he declared at the be-
ginning of his career that he was a
candidate for no office but trustee of
an agricultural college and desired no
other we swallowed it whole and be-
lieved it implicitly. We have reeused
and repelled the charges of opposition
newspapers that Tillman was working
chiefly for Tillman's advancement.
We believed that we had at last found
a patriot who was giving his time,
breath and labor for pure love of his
State and his class.

The dream is over; the idol is shat-
tered. Captain Tillman stands forth as
a candidate for Governor at the head of
the movement he has done so much
during the last five years to give shape
to. The Farmers' Movement, for the
farmers, of the farmers and by the
farmers, has been twisted into a Till-
man movement for Tillman, of Tillman
and by Tillman. What we thought
was patriotism we find to be politics.
We can only ask the Columbia Register
and other esteemed contemporaries
who have all along treated Captain
Tillman as a candidate in training for
a race for the Governorship to pass
along our dish of crow as gently as
possible in the circumstances and will
then untie with a vast number of hon-
est and confiding people in the doleful
chorus, "sold again."

We are sorry to lose the disinterested
and sturdy patriot in whom we have
believed all these years, but we are not
sorry for our part in it. We would
rather think too well of ninety-nine
men than to fail to give one credit that
he deserves. We prefer to err on the
side of charity and confidence in human
nature. We are glad that to the very
last we demanded fair play for Captain
Tillman and that he should not be
judged in advance of his acts. Now
that he has by his own act confirmed
the charges his enemies have made
against him the responsibility is on
him.

Nor do we charge him with any
crime. If he wanted to be Governor,
he had the right to work for that end
and to secure all the backing he could.
It is now for the Democrats of the State
to say whether they approve his meth-
ods and his candidacy. He has put
himself before them for judgment.

The outlook for him is not very good.
He has resigned his claim to be a dis-
interested patriot working solely for
the good of his fellow farmers and he
has not established a standing as a
brilliant or successful politician. He
was practically beaten in his own
game with all the cards in his hand.
He was defeated by Captain Shell, who is Captain
Tillman's warm friend and devoted advo-
cate. It was called as a convention of
all who were in sympathy with the
Farmer's Movement to make nomi-
nations. These farmers and those who
were in sympathy with them met at
their County seats and by their actions
proved that they opposed the making
of nominations.

The first vote on the question in the
convention was a defeat for the nomi-
nation plan. There was a majority of
one against nominations, including the
vote of Mr. Farley, of Laurens, as a
part of the Spartanburg delegation,
which was withdrawn when a protest
was made against it. Excluding that
vote, the motion for nominations was
defeated by a majority of two.

Among the votes for nominations
were those of the four delegates from
Pickens, who were elected by a farm-
ers' mass meeting which adopted res-
olutions against nominations. The four
men who went to Columbia voted for
nominations, but their votes did not
rub out the fact that the farmers of
their County opposed such action.

To make the majority of one there
was also included nine votes from the
city of Charleston. Those votes were
cast by delegates elected two nights
before the convention by a meeting
called at a day's notice.

How the farmers of Spartanburg
County feel cannot be known because
all who opposed nominations were
ruled out of the County meeting by
Senator R. M. Smith, a ruling which
was reversed by the convention when
it admitted the Barnwell and Sumter
delegations instructed against nomi-
nations.

Any fair-minded man considering
these facts must conclude that the
farmers and their sympathizers vir-
tually declared against nominations in
March.

If the convention had been the regu-
lar Democratic State Convention and
the result had been secured by the
votes of delegates in opposition to the
expressed wishes of those who sent
them and of other delegates hastily
chosen in Charleston at short notice
there would have been a howl and a
kick from one end of the State to the
other. If when the farmers come to
consider the matter and investigate the
facts they do not kick energetically
against the action of this convention
and the attempt to commit them with-
out their consent to Captain
Tillman's candidacy we will be much
surprised.

Captain Tillman, as he declared
himself, carried the platform to Colum-
bia in his pocket. It is a very fair
platform—much more moderate and
conservative in its tone than many of
the preceding utterances from Captain
Tillman and Captain Shell. Nearly
everybody can endorse it, and for that
matter, there is no special objection to
the gentlemen nominated on it, so far
as they are personally concerned. The
weakness of the ticket is in the mode
and manner of its nomination and the
methods used in promoting it.

WHAT THE STUDENTS SAY.

Whereas it has been brought to the
notice of the students of the South
Carolina University that certain dam-
aging statements have been circulated
in regard to the actions of some of the
students on the night of the 27 instant,
therefore, be it.

Resolved, That the following state-
ments are false: (a) that a body
of students followed Captain Tillman
to his hotel; (b) that they sang "vile"
songs; (c) that they threatened "to
do personal violence to his person."

That immediately after the conven-
tion adjourned a number of students
were in a crowd together, with dele-
gates and others, and indulged in a
demonstration more boisterous than
politic; that the students intended no
disrespect whatever to the convention.
That the account published in the
News and Courier of March 29th is
complete and true in every detail.

That these resolutions be published
in the leading papers of the State.
J. W. Simpson, E. E. Aycock, J. R.
Coggeshall, Geo. S. Legare, Samuel
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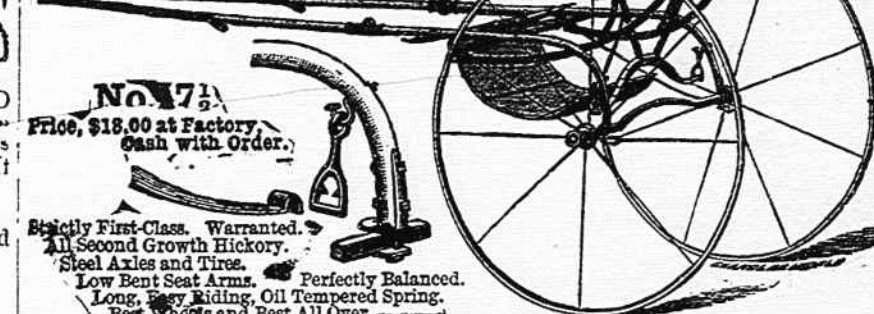
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